

Priority #1: Enhancing Service Provider Knowledge (Provider)

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This sub-workgroup is currently on hiatus pending hiring of additional staff.

Priorities	Tactics	Entities Engaged	Update	Timeline
GOAL 1: Raise awareness of Presumptively Connected Service Disabilities (PCSD) among clinicians, veterans, and veteran support networks.	1. Reach out to software developers to determine the feasibility of adapting clinician software to include Military Service specific data fields, and cross referencing diagnosis for presumptive connections.	Bruce Smith, former Chair	Mar 2013: Contact was made with software developers who report that they could add the fields easily, if their clients requested them.	COMPLETE
	2. Invite the American Academy of Nurses to present the Have You Served Campaign opportunity.	ICV Staff	American Academy of Nursing Fellow, Mary Sullivan N.P. will provide an overview of the program. <i>This presentation inspired Goal 1, tactic 3.</i>	COMPLETE
	3. Utilize the tools of the AAN Have You Ever Served Campaign to expand awareness of PCSD.	SWG Chairs	Feb 2015: The PROVIDER SWG has acquired the customized materials and is currently seeking support from a reputable health facility to begin implementation.	In Process
GOAL 2: Ensure clinicians in California are trained in military and veteran cultural competency.	1. Expand and Support the Star Behavioral Health Program.	Allison Clement ICV Staff	Feb 2015: The program has begun the promotion of new training dates / locations for Winter 2015.	On Going
	2. Support learning modules that provide CEUs for clinicians and are included within the curriculums for student clinicians.	SWG Chairs ICV Staff	The group has placed this tactic as ongoing effort in the interest of coalition building.	On Going
Raise awareness regarding the moral injuries resulting from combat through an ICV workgroup presentation.	1. Identify SME to address the primary workgroup.	ICV Staff	Dr Kent Drescher of VA Palo Alto provided a presentation at the Feb 2015 ICV Health meeting.	COMPLETE
Coordinate information sharing opportunities for clinicians focused on increasing the knowledge of service	1. Conduct focus groups with veterans in the Bay Area seeking input on what information would be valuable to include in a Covered CA FAQ document.	ICV Staff Covered CA	Covered CA incorporated information gathered from the focus groups into their final FAQ.	COMPLETE

NOTICE: The foregoing Priority Grids serve only as a reference to illustrate the historical evolution of the ICV's priorities and the various means for addressing them. Importantly, the documents are intended to reflect the constantly changing priorities and decisions of the ICV's meeting attendees and must not be construed as setting forth mandatory goals or measures.

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providers concerning VA programs, their locations, eligibility requirements, and emerging and proven best practice clinical modalities.	2. Support Covered CA with veteran specific outreach efforts	ICV Staff Covered CA CalVet VSD	With ICV staff facilitation, Covered CA created a profile in MyCalVet and has worked with CalVet to gain a presence on the CalVet website. Covered CA also supplied 2014 veteran specific enrollment data to the ICV for dissemination to all interested parties.	COMPLETE
	3. Host an Exploratory Discussion at the primary workgroup level focused on exploring means to educate clinicians and veterans about Presumptively Connected Service Disabilities.	ICV Staff Various	Held on April 17, 2013, the discussion gathered information, raised awareness. Discussion details are documented in a summary document. <i>This tactic inspired Goal 2.</i>	COMPLETE
	4. Coordinate an Equine Therapies presentation at the Primary WG level.	ICV Staff	July 17, 2013 – The presentation by Equus Medendi – Healing with Horses. See minutes for details.	COMPLETE
	5. Organize a presentation at the Primary WG level to educate attendees about Aging and Disability Resource Centers (ARDC).	ICV Staff ADRC Staff	May 15, 2013 - Karol Swartzlander, Executive Director, CA Aging and Disability Resource Center presented the program specifics. See meeting minutes for details.	COMPLETE
	6. Request a presentation from VA Palo Alto regarding the VA Health System.	ICV Staff Palo Alto VHA Staff	June 19, 2013 –James Hallenbeck M.D., VA Palo Alto provided an VA system of health care overview. See minutes for details.	COMPLETE
	7. Request a presentation from USDVA on the Virtual Lifetime Electronic Record Program.	Chair USDVA Staff	February 19, 2014: Director Elaine Hunolt presented the VLER program. See meeting minutes for details. Program was piloted and is now in roll out phase.	COMPLETE
	8. Request a briefing from the Star Behavioral Health Providers training program.	ICV Staff	Allison Clement presented the no-cost CEU-offering cultural competency and clinical intervention training program for lay-persons and clinicians. <i>This tactic inspired Goal 2, Tactic 1.</i>	COMPLETE

Priority #2: Clinical Interventions – Suicide Prevention and Early Intervention for Veterans and Their Families (Intervention)

Chair: Duane Shaul, Department of Health Care Services

Co-chair: Susan Pangelinan, California Military Department

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GOAL 1: Facilitate cross-system collaboration and trainings between federal, state, county, and local service providers.	1. Seek VHA support in educating County Behavioral Health Directors and Local Service Providers with training and outreach surrounding HR3230	ICV Staff	Jan 2015: ICV Staff provided Intervention Sub-workgroup members with outreach and policy materials specific to HR 3230.	COMPLETE
	2. In collaboration with external stakeholders, facilitate web-based training / collaborative opportunities on military cultural competency, peer support programs, and best practices to 30 county behavioral health facilities.	Chairs AOS Staff ICV Staff	Jan 2015: Both Orange and San Bernardino County have agreed to participate in webinar trainings which will showcase the veteran specific programs within each of their respective county's.	Spring 2015
	3. Connect 10 county behavioral health facilities with low/no cost in-service USDVA VISN 21 and VISN 22 veteran specific training opportunities	ICV Staff VHA	ICV Staff are working to gain a timeline from VHA as to when this tactics could reasonable be achieved.	TBD
GOAL 2: Identify, support, and share effective veteran specific best practices, trainings, and outreach opportunities.	1. Identify suicide prevention training gaps at highpoints of interest for transitioning service members, veterans, their families, and their caregivers.	ICV Staff TBD	Feb 2015: The SWG has begun talks with ICV Education to explore potential service gaps for California's student veteran population.	June 2015
	2. Continually increase visibility and support of CEU earning low/no cost veteran specific training opportunities at the county/local level through technology.	ICV Staff Chair	The SWG will remain vigilant of and provide support to applicable programs and outreach efforts.	Ongoing
	3. Implement a brief questionnaire to ICV survey recipients in order to discover the utilization of CBHDAC presentation and survey reminder supplied ICV outreach and training materials.	ICV Staff	The questionnaire is in the development phase, and will be vetted at the November 20 SWG meeting.	COMPLETE

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<p>COMPLETE - Coordinate the proliferation of effective Suicide Prevention and Intervention strategies.</p> <p>Perform an Environmental Scan/ Survey</p> <p>California Mental Health Directors regarding veteran cultural competencies, veteran specific clinical modalities, and data collection practices.</p> <p>The information collected will be used to inform the ICV regarding the need for no-cost training tools to support clinicians at the county level.</p> <p>Facilitate cross-system collaboration and trainings between federal, state, county, and local service providers.</p>	1. Invite the Army OneSource CA Behavioral Health Alliance (AOS/CBHA) to partner in raising awareness of veteran suicide.	Chair ICV Health AOS/CBHA	Oct 2013: The partnership is formalized. AOS/CBHA will merge their members, staff, and resources with the INTERVENTION SWG.	COMPLETE
	2. Discuss the next steps.	Chair & SWG	Discussion resulted in GOAL 2.	COMPLETE
	3. Serve as an advisory body to the 2014 SAMHSA Suicide Intervention for Military, Veterans, their Families, and Caregivers Implementation Academy (IA) delegation.	Chairs SWG Pamela Rasada	Sept 2014: The SWG received national recognition from SAMHSA at the Sept 2014 Workforce Development Conference which focused on behavioral health clinician readiness with regard for military and veteran culture competency and service related disorders.	COMPLETE
	4. Seek pre-existing surveys.	ICV Staff	In 2008 CRB performed a survey of MHD.	COMPLETE
	5. Reach out the California Mental Health Directors Association (CMHDA) as a partner in surveying County Behavioral Health Directors.	Chairs	The sub-workgroup will address the Mental Health Directors at the July 10, 2014 Association meeting.	COMPLETE
	6. Develop survey questions.	Chair California Research Bureau Senate Office of Research Pamela Rasada	The chair has met with multiple SMEs to refine the survey questions to be presented to the Workgroup.	COMPLETE
	7. Implement Survey	AOS Staff ICV Staff	Data collection is complete, The gathered information has resulted in Goal 2 and Goal 1 Tactic 2.	COMPLETE

Priority #3: Veteran Justice (Justice)

Chair: Duncan MacVicar, Consultant, California Veteran Legal Task Force

Co-chair: Paul Freese, Vice President, Public Council

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GOAL 1: Support and improve existing Veteran Treatment Courts (VTC).	1. Serve as an advisory body to the 2014 SAMHSA Service-member, Veterans and their Families Criminal Justice Issues Implementation Academy (IA) delegation.	Chair Attendees Pamela Rasada	The SWG is working with the delegation to adopt goals and objectives in the criminal justice arena.	June 2015
	2. Conduct a non-financial survey of the California VTCs	Duncan MacVicar California Veterans Legal Task Force (CVLTF)	The SWG is continuing to oversee the work of the CVLTF during data collection.	June 2015
	3. Ensure Timely and Effective expungment of records under PC 1170.9(h).	Jodi Galvin	California DOJ will create a docket code to specify an expungment pursuant to PC 1170.9(h). Potential for Lawsuit avoided.	COMPLETE
GOAL 2: Increase awareness and utilization of Veteran specific alternative sentencing measures.	1. Disseminate a legal brief for PC 1170.9 dismissals to the California County Public Defenders Association	ICV Staff Jodi Galvin	The SWG is currently exploring the legal briefs that are already available.	June 2015
GOAL 3: Proliferate and improve free veterans' legal clinics within California	1. Produce a report encompassing the existing clinics currently in California	ICV Staff	Feb 2015: A uniform survey has been developed, and will be disseminated as a more robust sample is discovered.	June 2015
GOAL 4: Establish veteran-specific Continuing Legal Education credits through the California Bar Association.	1. Acquire California Accreditation for two Army OneSource Courses: Family Law and the Military / Military Cultural Competence.	ICV Staff Monica Pelaez Antoinette Balta	Feb 2015: AOS has partnered with the Vets Legal Institute for CLE certification.	May 2015